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WEDNESDAY, Jan. 24, 1923, commencing at 8.30 p.m. at his residence No. 23 Humphreys Buildings, Hanoi Road, Kowloon.

The whole of his Valuable Household Furniture, comprising—Walnut wood tables, chairs, and cabinets (imported from U.S.A.). Drawing Room Suite (Chesterfield couch and chairs).

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ENTERTAINMENTS.

January 22.—Coronet Theatre; Charlie Chaplin in "The Idle Class" and "Flower of the North." World Theatre; Constance Binney in "Room and Board." Kowloon Theatre; "The House of the Telling Bell."

January 22.—Harmatic's Circus at Kowloon.

January 22.—Theatre Royal; Franchise Co., "The Gold Diggers."

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January 24.—Lammert Bros., the whole valuable household furniture of Mr. Franklin Waller at 23 Humphreys Bldg., Hanoi Road, Kowloon, 2.30 p.m.

SPORTING EVENT.

January 27.—Theatre Royal; Box for Tournament.

February 19.—St. Andrew's Church Men's Association Annual Marathon Race at 4 p.m.

February 28.—First day of Jockey Club's race meeting.

March 1.—Second day of Jockey Club's race meeting.

March 2.—Third day of Jockey Club's race meeting.

March 3.—Fourth day of Jockey Club's race meeting.

COMPANY MEETINGS.

January 26.—Hongkong Central Estate Ltd., ninth ordinary general meeting, 11.45 a.m. Hongkong Land Reclamation Co. Ltd., twenty-second ordinary general meeting, noon.

January 26.—The Hongkong Land Investment and Agency Co., meeting at Messrs. Jardine Matheson's offices, 12.15 p.m.

February 3.—The Bank of East Asia meeting at Co's office, 10 Des Voeux Road, 3.30 p.m.

February 13.—Hongkong and Canton, Macao Steamboat Co., meeting at Co's office, 5a, Des Voeux Road, noon.

FLOWER SHOW.

February 22.—Admission flower and vegetable show at the Hongkong Club and S. C.

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WHAT IT IS LIKE.

HUNTER'S THRILLING NARRATIVE.

In 1913 Mr. Ardolf Wienholt who sits in the Australian Commonwealth Parliament, went on a lion-hunting trip in Portuguese West Africa. His adventures are related in "The Story of a Lion Hunt," which has just been published (Melrose, 7s. 6d.).

The cool and careful description which Mr. Wienholt gives of the bites inflicted on him by a wounded lion seems something unique in the annals of man's warfare with the great flesh-eaters. Mr. Wienholt hunted alone with a few natives, and he had no dogs—a very serious omission in following up a wounded lion.

The lion was tracked into a piece of rough bushy ground, "and I could hear him breathing as though in distress like a horse gone in the wind." He charged. Mr. Wienholt, badly placed for a steady shot, fired, failed to kill and was knocked down.

After knocking me down, the lion rushed in on my right side, and instinctively I tried to ward him off by throwing my rifle, which I still had held of, up against him. He bit savagely on this several times, biting right through and cracking the thin part of the stock.

Then he seized me and bit me several times through the wrist, breaking it badly and splintering some of the small bones. Those bites hurt like fury at the moment: it was like a nine-inch nail being continually driven through one's hand. The lion bit very quickly, but with a horribly silent ferocity. He would have done better I think, if he had taken more time over it.

LIKE A CUT LEG OF MUTTON. There followed, this extraordinary narrative states, several bites above the wrist and a big bite cracking the bone of the forearm elbow. My biceps caught the next bite, which cut clean to the muscle opening out like a cut in a leg of mutton. A bite through a muscle of the shoulder followed. As weakness made me lower the rifle, the lion, with a quick snuff of his forehead, closed up with me, whipping down his big head and biting me twice on the chest. These bites, too, though not very bad, hurt badly, and the night of his big hairy head, so near that we almost rubbed noses, was unbearably annoying.

Suddenly, after biting the unfortunate hunter again on the chest, the lion whipped round and cleared out of sight back in the bushes.

Fortunately Mr. Wienholt had at his camp a cake of carbolic soap with which to wash his wounds, for the

RACE ON THE SANDS.

DIVORCE COURT SEQUEL.

How a wife, by winning a race on the sands and reaching a bathing tent in advance of her husband, made a discovery which wrecked her marital happiness, was the story told in the Divorce Court by Mrs. Dorothy Ethelinda Field, of Barton's Court.

She was granted a decree of restitution against her husband, George Ernest Field. Telling her story in support of the petition, Mrs. Field said that they were married in May, 1918. After the return of her husband from Mesopotamia she found a letter from a girl in his pocket. They quarrelled parted, and were reconciled.

Last year they were bathing at Shanklin together.

Mr. Field said that he wanted something from his pocket. Mrs. Field went to fetch it.

She had no sooner started for the store than Mr. Field remembered that there was something else in his pocket that Mrs. Field ought not to see. So he went after her. Mrs. Field thought he was trying to race her. She put on speed and won.

In the pockets she discovered a letter from a girl to her husband.

"In October, 1921, she said; 'I went back to Huddersfield, and in December my husband sold the house and said that he did not want me any longer. I had to go into lodgings.' Mrs. Field added that in April last she wrote to her husband: 'We are too young to live apart like this. I have no desire to bring up our past differences. Those we can bury, but I do desire to resume our married life.' I sincerely ask you to join me, or say whether I can join you, and I will do all in my power to make you happy."

Her husband wrote:—Our marriage has been, like so many hasty war marriages, a failure, and was a grievous mistake. We have given it a fair trial, but it is perfectly clear that we were quite unsuited to each other.

We are both young, and it would be a pity for both our lives to be spoiled, as I am certain they would be if we were to resume co-habitation. We are entirely opposite in temperament and everything else.

Mrs. Field stated that her husband had since refused to return to her.

lion's bite—he is a lion feeder—is often deadly. A few weeks of rough nursing—during which the war broke out—restored the mangled hunter to complete health. Mr. Wienholt's constitution must be as hard as his courage.

RACES—NOT RACING.

ANTHROPOLOGICAL MIS-UNDERSTANDING.

The betting adventures of an anthropological student were described at Marlborough-street during the hearing of a charge against Frank Loftus, of obtaining £10 by false pretences from Astley Goodwin, of Toynbee Hall.

Mr. Goodwin, who is a student at University College, said Loftus got into conversation with him outside Bond Street Tube Station through another man asking him (Goodwin) to direct him to an address.

Loftus gave the strange man 10s., and asked him to put it on "something good." The man returned with £1, and when Loftus handed him another £1 witness also handed over £1.

The man returned and said they had won at 45 to 1, and he gave him 29 as commission, as he said he wanted 4s. in the £. Eventually both Loftus and the man disappeared and he did not see Loftus again until after his arrest.

Loftus: Were you accustomed to backing horses?—Goodwin: Never backed a horse before.

During the conversation you said you were studying racing?—Yes, understood. I said: "races"—anthropology. (Loud laughter.)

What induced you to bet?—The fact that you seemed to get money so easily.

Loftus pleaded guilty, and was sentenced to six months' hard labour.

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DEATH.

YOUKEY.—On January 22nd, 1923, at 3 a.m. J. Youkey, at his residence "Homeville," Kowloon City Road. Funeral will take place at 11 a.m. on Tuesday the 23rd inst. Age 73 years.

The China Mail.

"TRUTH, JUSTICE, PUBLIC SERVICE"

HONGKONG, MONDAY, JAN. 22, 1923.

STRAWS IN THE WIND.

Tucked away among Saturday's cables were six lines briefly reporting that the Peking Government is issuing a mandate dismissing Li Hou-chi and appointing Sha (Chen-ping) Tschun of Fukien with General Wang Ying-chuan Assistant Director of Military Affairs. Doubtless, European readers felt little enough interest in the news. Only another one of the many shufflings of lucrative offices happening almost every day, they mentally noted—if they bothered to think about the matter at all. Yet the change, if it takes place, will be very significant. It will be a straw showing the set of the wind, the wind that may clear the overcast sky or may bring still blacker clouds. Li Hou-chi, whom the mandate dismisses, was originally appointed by the Northern Government. When Sun Yat-sen's forces invaded Fukien in October last he was displaced by Hsu Chung-chi, Sun's henchman. Although Li was expelled from the Province the Peking Government still kept alive his post as Tschun and ignored Hsu. Any decision to dismiss Li, now that Sun Yat-sen's star is again in the ascendant, must indicate a desire to conciliate the Canton leader. Additional colour is given to this view by the fact that Sha Chen-ping, the new Tschun appointed under the mandate, is a recognised moderate whose selection will affront no other faction. Furthermore, Wang Tung-chuan, whom the report names for Assistant Director of Military Affairs, was formerly Li's direct sub-

ordinate, but joined with Sun Yat-sen's men in expelling the Peking nominee. The Northern Government must therefore have little love for Wang. That it should now give him official preferment would certainly argue that it is ready to swallow its dislike in an effort to conciliate Wang's leader.

Sun Yat-sen. Another straw showing the wind setting in the same direction is the report in Saturday's Chinese cables that the Northern Premier has requested Sun Yat-sen to abandon his projected trip to Canton and visit Peking instead. This request obviously implies hope that an understanding can be reached for common action. Sun is reported to have replied that his Canton visit will be very short and he will return North as soon as possible. With trouble brewing in Canton over the question of apportioning the spoils among the victors—an awkward question which nobody on the spot seems able to tackle—Sun evidently feels that he cannot avoid visiting Canton without risking serious trouble there, however anxious he may be to answer Peking's advances. Whether, when he eventually does return North, Peking's overtures will result in any material benefit for China depends upon factors impossible at present to weigh. Neither side is strong enough to subjugate the other and neither may be willing to make the concessions necessary for effective cooperation. Meanwhile, Sun will find himself kept busy enough solving the Canton problem—how, to allay the growing unrest among the victors.

Surprise has been created by the discovery that a man who enlisted some months ago in the British Air Force under the name of Ross is none other than Colonel Lawrence, who has earned fame by his exploits among Arabs. The upstart King of the Arabs, as he is generally styled, carries out modestly his duties as an ordinary private. His reason for joining the Air Force, Lawrence declines to divulge, but it is generally thought he intends to write a book on the Force.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

One Chinese case of cerebro-spinal fever was notified yesterday.

Bookings for the Burns anniversary dinner close to day.

A wireless message has been received from the Captain of the s.s. "Katsang" reporting that at 7 a.m., on Saturday, while the vessel was in position 21.00 N. 114.18 E., she passed a piece of waterlogged wreckage which was dangerous to navigation.

A Chinese woman living at No. 4, Gillies Avenue, Homutia, was seriously injured on Saturday in her right shoulder by a circular saw at the Sam Mow Timberyard. She was taken by the motor ambulance to the Kwang Wah Hospital.

The following appointments have been made to the light cruiser "Carle" on the China Station: Paymaster, E. Whittington Ince; Paymaster Midshipman, J. S. Lancaster. The foregoing date from Jan. 7.

The engagement is announced between E. J. Judah, son of the late Mr. J. E. Judah and Mrs. Judah, of Calcutta, and grandson of the late Hon. R. R. Bellios, C.M.G., of Hongkong, and Sylvia B. Frank, elder daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Leopold Frank, of 49, Westbourne Terrace, W.

There is lots of fun enough in this delightful drama that is now showing at the World Theatre. "Room and Board" is its title and it shows Constance Binney at her best. "A Zero Hero," Gaylord's comedy, which follows the drama, is the funniest that ever appeared on the screen.

Home going folk may be interested to learn that the authorities fear that the deficiency caused by the drought in 1921 is not yet made up, and that unless a considerable amount of rain falls during the next few months there may be a deficiency of water again in the coming summer.

The British steamer "Willowden," 3,141 tons, which called into Singapore on her way from Rangoon to Hongkong, bumped the wharf whilst proceeding into the Empire Dock. The vessel was slightly damaged on the port side amidships, but was not delayed on her voyage.

Amongst the newly-elected Fellows of the Royal Institute of British Architects is Mr. E. F. Bothwell (Associate 1911), Shanghai. Nine hon. corresponding members were also elected, amongst them being Dr. A. Kogori Professor of Architecture at the Tokyo University, Japan.

Bishop Roots, of Hankow, says that when he first went to China he had a good deal of difficulty in remembering faces. "I'm getting over my difficulty now," he said one day to a mandarin, "but in the beginning here in Hankow you all looked as like as two peas." "Two peas!" said the English-speaking mandarin, smiling. "Why not say two quences?"

There is a 50 per cent. drop in beer consumption at home compared with the war as recorded by the Brewers' Society, the total for 1922 being 18,000,000 barrels compared with 23,000,000 in 1921, 26,000,000 in 1920, and 36,000,000 in 1913. The decline in both beer and spirits is attributed by the society to excessive taxation, low wages, and unemployment.

Mr. Chan Wing-kit formerly a scholar of the St. Paul's College, Hongkong, son of the late Mr. Chan King Wah (formerly Chief of the Canton Police) returned to the Colony by the "Empress of Russia," having completed his education in America, where he graduated at the Chicago University with the degree of Ph. B., and studied banking and economics.

Mr. E. C. Wilton, C.M.G., the new Assistant Chief Inspector of the Salt Administration at Peking, left London on December 20 for the Continent. After spending a week on the Riviera, Mr. Wilton embarked at Marseilles on December 29 on the P. & O. steamer "Morea, en route" for China to assume the duties of his post. His appointment is for three years, for which term he has been granted leave from the Foreign Office.

The following are titles officially assumed by those recently elevated to and in the Peerage: Viscount Birkenhead to be Viscount Farnham of Charlton in the county of Northampton and Earl of Birkenhead The Right Hon. F. B. Midway to be Baron Midway of Filton in the County of Devon. Sir Edward Alfred Gordon-Barr, to be Baron Wargrave of Wargrave Hall in the county of Berkshire.

FOOTBALL.**SATURDAY'S GAMES AND RESULTS.****CHALLENGE SHIELD.****JUNIOR DIVISION.**

Titania	4	Ambrose	1
Hawkins	6	United	0

SENIOR DIVISION.

Kowloon	1	Club	0
Hawkins	2	Tamar	0

LEAGUE FIRST DIVISION.

Police	2	R.G.A.	2
Ambrose	3	King's	1
Titania	3	South China	2

JUNIOR DIVISION.

St. Joseph's	1	Marazion	0
R.G.A.	0	University	0
King's	0	Warders	0
Chinese "B"	1	Kowloon	0

HAWKINS v. TAMAR.

This Shield match was played on the Navy "A" ground and after a very even game during which both teams missed chances the Hawkins ran out winners by two clear goals.

The Hawkins lost the toss and the Tamar started with a strong wind in their favour. Their forward line was weak and the Hawkins' defence had no difficulty in clearing. Offside against the latter team spoilt a good chance. Routley later saved well from Barkham. Waine was responsible for the Hawkins first goal, for, receiving from Barkham, he beat Routley close in. A little later Imeson missed a good chance of increasing, for he badly missed a fine pass from Barkham and the ball rolled behind.

Half time: Hawkins 1 Tamar 0. Tamar attacked from the restart but bad shooting prevented them from scoring and Strick cleared. A few minutes later Hudon missed from a free kick for hands. At the other end Imeson forced a corner which Routley punched out and Hudson cleared only for the ball to be returned and Imeson centering, Osborns notched the Hawkins second goal. Tamar missed many chances to score and the final whistle went with the score as stated.

CLUB v. KOWLOON.

Played at Sookumpoo and a very scrappy game ended in a win for the Kowloon team by the only goal scored. Neither team showed combination and Kowloon's goal was caused by a bad clearance by Angus the Club goalkeeper. He caught the ball but let it slip between his hands into the net. Referee, Mr. Smith.

JUNIOR SHIELD.**HAWKINS v. UNITED.**

Hawkins successfully disposed of the United by 6 goals, the United failing to reply. There was a very strong wind blowing and the Hawkins winning the toss took full advantage of it, bringing three goals up, at half time. In the second half by playing good football and keeping the ball low they were enabled to beat the United defence three more times.

TITANIA v. AMBROSE.

On the Navy "A" ground the Titania qualified for the second round by beating the Ambrose by the odd goal in five. There was not all that difference in the teams but on the play the former deserved to just win.

FIRST DIVISION LEAGUE.**POLICE v. R.G.A.**

Played on St. Joseph's ground. The gunners won the toss and with the wind in their favour attacked, but Swan brought off three good saves, and Watson eventually being offside play was transferred and Simpson forced a corner. A close shot came over and Johnston receiving opened the score for the Police. At the other end McWalter miskicked and McHugh receiving beat Swan, making the scores level. A few minutes later Forbes fell on the ball in the danger zone and a penalty kick being awarded for hands Key took the kick but Swan brought off a fine save and Simpson got away only to send behind at the other end. Clarke of the Police was ordered off—what for it was impossible to see from the touch line. The Police now played the one back game and play deteriorated in consequence. The Gunners forwards, being unable to get used to the change and being continually offside. During a move in the Police goal Watson scored No. 2 for the R.G.A.

HALF TIME R.G.A. 3 POLICE 1.

With the wind in their favour, and still plying one back the Police had

OBITUARY.**A "LACONIA" TOURIST.**

Mr. Norman Campbell, a well-known banker of Santa Barbara, California, who was one of the round-the-world passengers of the s.s. "Laconia" has died at the French Hospital, Causeway Bay. Mr. Campbell, who was connected with the First National Bank, was in excellent health when he started on the cruise, but contracted a cold while the "Laconia" was in Taigtau. Fever developed and when the vessel arrived in Hongkong he entered the hospital on the advice of Dr. Ambrey. His condition became so bad that it was impossible for him to rejoin the "Laconia" when she sailed for Manila. All hopes of pulling him through were given up on Saturday night, and he passed away yesterday morning.

MR. FRANCISCO GOMES.

The Portuguese community of Hongkong has suffered another great loss by the death on Saturday evening of Mr. Francisco d'Assis Gomes, one of the oldest and most respected residents of the Colony. Deceased who was 85 years of age, passed peacefully away at his residence, No. 10, Macdonnell Road at 6.15 p.m.

Born in Macao in 1837, the late Mr. Gomes was educated in Portugal. On his return to China, he joined the firm of Brandao and Co. at Canton which was later removed to Macao owing to troubles at Canton. He then joined the firm of Messrs. Dent & Co., in Hongkong, until 1881 when, with his brothers, he opened the firm of Brandao & Co., which they closed in 1903.

Mr. Gomes was also a director of several public companies here, including the Hongkong, Canton and Macao Steamboat Co., in which capacity he served for no less than 27 years. He leaves a widow, as well as a son and four daughters, to mourn his loss.

The funeral took place at the Catholic cemetery yesterday afternoon and was largely attended.

Their opponents guessing, Valentine showed up with a good run—but over ran the ball when about to shoot. At the other end the R.G.A. forced a corner but Swan punched clear and, Simpson receiving, the player went down and passed to Valentine who teated Phillips with a hot shot that he failed to hold. McEwen tapped the ball into the net. No further scoring took place, the game ending in a draw of two goals all.

TITANIA v. SOUTH CHINA.

Played on the Chinese ground and the home team had to admit defeat by the odd goal in five. The usual large crowd watched the game and it was apparent from the start that things were going to be warm. The Titania were awarded two penalties, both given away by the Right back of the Chinese who was penalised for dangerous play and later on for handling in the danger zone. But for these there was a possibility of the Chinese winning the game. Towards the end the game got rough and the Referee called all the players together and issued a general caution. This had the desired effect and play was resumed in a more friendly spirit. Referee, Mr. Williams.

AMBROSE v. KING'S.

Playing without Jones their centre forward the King's went down to the Ambrose by 3 goals to one. Wellbourne was responsible for the Sailors first goal and the teams crossed over with the King's one down.

SECOND DIVISION LEAGUE.

St. Joseph's were very lucky in defeating the Marazion by the only goal scored for the Sailors had nearly all the play and should have scored on many an occasion. Ogley was the goal scorer for the College.

The King's second string had a shock when the Warders played them to a goalless draw at Sookumpoo. As a matter of fact if there had been anything like a small piece of luck going the Warders would have won, for they properly bombarded the King's goal during the latter portion of the second half but could not find the net.

South China "B" team had a lucky win over the Kowloon B's for a goalless draw seemed certain when a minute before time, they were awarded a penalty from which they scored.

The R.G.A. and the University played a goalless draw on the Club ground. Both teams had opportunities but failed to take advantage of them.

CORRESPONDENCE.**THE MUI TSAI QUESTION.**

(To the Editor of the "China Mail.")

SIR,—I am directed by the Executive Committee of my Society to release for publication the following communications for the information of the public. In view of the facts that copies of this correspondence are also in the possession of the Hon. Secretary of the Society for Protection of Mui Tsai and that this Society is but a creature of the Chinese Chamber of Commerce, I beg to point out that the opposition of this Chamber to the provisions of the Female Domestic Service Ordinance, 1922, now under discussion is frivolous and inexplicable.

I am also directed to say that it has been invariably pleaded by the opponents of reform that the traffic in human beings closely associated with the mui tsai system is beneficial to the poor. That this view is not shared by those who are supposed to benefit from this institution, practice, is proved by the unanimous support of Labour in this Colony to the Government in its efforts towards abolition.

My Society regrets to have to inform its many members and supporters, both locally and abroad, that a tendency to thwart the object of the Bill by regarding its vital parts at its second reading on the 25th inst. is detected. I am authorized to state that any such attempt from any source whatsoever will be resisted with our full strength.—Yours, etc.,

For the Anti-Mui Tsai Society,
C. G. ANDERSON,
Hon. English Secretary.

Hongkong, Jan. 21, 1923.

Colonial Secretary's Office,
Hongkong.

SIR,—I am directed to convey to your Society the thanks of this Government for their work in connection with the report of the 29th May by the Joint Committee elected by your Society and the Society for the Protection of Mui Tsai, to devise a scheme for the abolition of the mui tsai system.

I am, Sir, your obedient servant,
M. FLETCHER,
Colonial Secretary.

C. G. Anderson, Esq.,
Hon. English Secretary.
The Anti-Mui Tsai Society.

[ENCLOSURES.]
Hongkong, 29th May, 1922.
The Hon. The Secretary for Chinese Affairs.

SIR,—In compliance with your verbal request made on 11th March, 1922, that the Society for Protection of Mui Tsai and the Anti-Mui Tsai Society should co-operate to devise a scheme for the abolition of the mui tsai system for submission to the Hongkong Government, we, the members of the Joint Committee separately elected by these two societies for this purpose, have the honour to communicate our conclusions. In our deliberations, we bear in mind that the number of mui tsai in the neighbourhood of ten thousand and that it may be beyond the resources of the Government to provide maintenance for all of them. Moreover, we realise that mui tsai-keeping is a very old practice and that the interests of the owner cannot be entirely ignored, and consequently, we are inclined to adopt the expedient of treating the purchase price of a mui tsai as money advanced to her parent. For this consideration, the mui tsai has to remain to work for her owner for a certain number of years before she regains her freedom. Only on this foundation can we hope to build up an adequate organization for abolition.

Legislation.—To our mind, the first step lies in promulgating the necessary legislation, particulars of which are suggested in Appendix A. Registration of mui tsai is absolutely necessary to effect abolition of the form recommended is not so irksome that opposition from the public has to be met. Moreover, registration is necessary in order to check the importation of mui tsai, which, after the passing of the necessary ordinance, is to be a punishable offence. Although ordinances have to be rigidly enforced, we beg to point out that undue interference by the Police and Excise Officers with arrivals in the Colony accompanied by their natural or adopted daughters cannot be too strongly deprecated. It is recommended that the fullest publicity is to be given to the provisions of the ordinance, which should be available to the public at all the police stations, markets, river and coastal steamers and trains, and a copy of which should be served on every householder whose name appears in the latest Census as the owner of one or more mui tsai.

Employment Bureau.—As will be seen from Appendix A, mui tsai over the age of 30 years (according to Chinese reckoning) regain their

THIEVES STILL BUSY.**WEEK-END ROBBERIES.**

In view of the epidemic of armed robberies both on the island and the mainland, the Police have instituted special searches on the wharves and patrols for the less-frequented spots. However, this has not yet materially decreased the number of robberies as five were reported on Saturday.

The biggest loss was suffered by the Sam Hing Company, coal merchants of 19, Lee Yuen Street East. Their premises are right in the business centre and the robbery was carried out at 6.30 p.m. Several men, four armed with revolvers and three with daggers secured an entrance. Fortunately, the manager was absent and demands for the key of the safe were of no avail.

After binding and gagging the occupants, the robbers ransacked the place while several of their number kept guard. A shopper was procured from the kitchen but efforts to open the safe with it proved futile. After removing the pattern disc, the attempt on the safe-door was given up. From the drawer in the safe \$400 was taken. Two of the \$100 lost \$150 and a gold watch and chain. A number of overcoats were also appropriated.

The company received from abroad \$10,000 on the same day and it is suspected that some person who knew of this gave the information to the robbers.

Making a pretence of wanting to buy photographic requisites a gang of four armed men secured admission to the first floor of 280, Shing-hai Street, Yumatti and decamped with \$80.00 worth of property.

Two highway robberies on the Maitankok Road, Kowloon, were also reported. A marine lawker and his assistant, were held up and lost \$43 including money and property. Another hold-up occurred twenty minutes later near the same spot. Two snappers going towards Kowloon City were robbed of \$21.75 and it is believed that both hold-ups are the work of the same gang.

A young man engaged a 72-year-old lady doctor of 639, Shanghai Street, Yumatti, to attend an urgent case. Near King's Park, he robbed her of \$22.90 and escaped.

liberty. Although it is expected that the majority of them will remain with their present owners as servants on monthly wages, provision for the absorption of those who fail to make this arrangement has to be made. Hence the necessity for an employment bureau, which will be extremely useful in the event of the accommodation in the proposed Industrial Home being insufficient for the purpose for which it is designed. In such an eventuality, it will be permissible for this bureau to let out to respectable householders on wages the services of those mui tsai over ten years of age who have to rely upon the Government for support. Application for the service of these girls must be accompanied by a chop guarantee that the girls will be properly fed, clothed and treated.

Industrial Home.—Full particulars and estimates of the proposed home are given in Appendix B. It will be recalled that the Commission to enquire into the Conditions of the Industrial Employment of Children in Hongkong, in its report to the Government, has recommended the institution of such an establishment to solve the child labour problem and that the "League of Fellowship and Service" has, on its programme, the same object in view. In short, there is already a strong public opinion in favour of the establishment of such a home; in which education, the promotion and improvement of which is one of the recommendations of the Economic Resources Committee, should form the chief industry. This estimate and particulars are furnished to us by Mrs. A. O'Brien (Mrs. Au Ben), who, during the past three years has been conducting, at her own expense, a home on similar lines in Shanghai for the benefit of orphans of both sexes, and who, if requested by the Government, may agree to assist. We beg to state that in excess of accommodation in the proposed home can be effected at small extra cost by the erection of wooden tenements with fire-proof roofs.

In conclusion, we have to add that, as the scheme for abolition is urgently required, the time at our disposal prevents us from going further into details. However, we shall be glad to supply information or suggestions to the Government on any point that may require elucidation or explanation.—We remain, yours faithfully,

For the Anti Mui Tsai Society:—
C. G. Anderson, J. M. Wong,
Chau Wai Cheung, I. P. Woo,
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For the Society for Protection of Mui Tsai:—Chau Tsun Nin,
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Enclosures:—Appendices A. and B.

CANTON NEWS.

FURTHER TROUBLE FEARED.

DR. SUN'S MOVEMENTS.

(From Our Own Correspondent.)

Canton, January 21.

What is of most interest to the foreign community regarding the Canton situation is whether Dr. Sun will come to Canton or not and if he decides to come when he will leave Shanghai. No definite pronouncement has been made by his adherents here but a cable was published yesterday to the effect that the Northern Premier Chang Shui-tsang, has requested Dr. Sun to visit Peking instead of proceeding to Canton and that Dr. Sun's reply was that he had made up his mind to come South, but after a brief stay in Canton he would go to Peking. Well-informed circles think that Dr. Sun wishes to come South as soon as possible—the control of one part of the country giving him better scope to make terms with the North—but he will refrain from making a decision till things have settled down.

HSU SHUNG-CHI'S POSITION.

At present, Canton is in the hands of the Yunnan-Kwangsi militarists. At least, they control the situation. Until he can be assured of their indisputable loyalty or till his military henchman, Hsu Shung-chi leads his forces in Fukien (the remnants of the former Northern Expedition) back to Canton, Dr. Sun is not assured of the military backing as necessary for political authority. Reports concerning Hsu are vague. He has been elected commander-in-chief by the Cantonese forces that sided with Chen Chiung-ming. Again, he has been appointed to the same post by Dr. Sun and yesterday's reports state that he is favoured for the Civil Governorship. Hsu himself, is strangely reticent. Before Chen fled, propagandists claimed that he had already left Fukien, ostensibly to march on Canton. Later it was given out that he was returning but no reports have yet been made of his entry into Kwangtung territory. Perhaps, he feels that the Yunnan-Kwangsi forces will not regard him as an ally or he may desire to consolidate his position in Fukien.

WHO'S WHO.

Meanwhile, the possibility of an early solution to the complex Canton situation is fast dwindling. Rather, the opposite is happening. To comprehend the position the various denominations must be enumerated. In and around Canton now, are some "Yit Kwans," i.e., Cantonese troops, these comprising the sections that remained neutral during the crisis and those that refused to fight on the West River and entered Canton in advance of the invaders. Their policy at first was to compromise the victors, at the same time endeavouring to retain control of Canton while declaring for Dr. Sun. Then there are the "M. n Kwans" or "People's Army," bodies of roving armed men, mostly bandits in peace and soldiers in war, owing allegiance to nobody in particular, but ever ready to sell their services to the highest bidder or to exploit any opportunity that may occur. With practically no discipline they are more or less skilled in guerrilla warfare. They seemed to spring up from nowhere and over twenty detachments, each with its own "general" entered Canton during the crisis. In addition to these, there are the Yunnan and Kwangsi troops who have acted separately since their entry into Canton. Now the Kwangsi troops are the most numerous and the strongest. Apparently, they represent the intrusion of the "People's Army" and deny the latter's claim to a share of the spoils. Their plan during the last few days has been to send round to the "People's Army" encampments and ask for surrender of arms. In practically every instance, they have succeeded. Rendered powerless, the disbanded have no alternative but to disband. This is sound enough itself as the unruly element is gradually removed. But the Kwangsi troops do not confine their attention to the "People's Army." They have attempted to disarm the smaller sections of the Cantonese troops, especially those in possession of places of importance. At least one of these occasions resulted in a scrap, this taking place at the Nam Hoi magistracy's Yamen. Li Bing-wing, left by Chen to protect Canton, has already lost heart and has turned his six battalions over to Wen Shu-tak to be incorporated as marines. The position as the time of writing is that the Kwangsi troops are dominant, having occupied all places of importance. The Yunnans are, mostly, outside Canton being encamped in the suburbs and on the White Cloud Ridge.

tains. Ngai Boug-ping has established headquarters at the Cement Works on Honam and the Kwangtung troops are converging there, on the south side of the Canton River.

A CLASH EXPECTED.

Nor is the scramble confined to positions of strategic or political importance. Each General is busy appointing his partisans to administrative posts and disagreement has already been reached regarding the posts of Directors of the Arsenal and the Yuch-Han Railway. Consequently, the civil population view with considerable alarm the struggle for supremacy. Some expect an open clash between the allies, which will be calamitous for Canton. Instead of precautions being relaxed they are being increased. No outrages on any scale have been committed by the military, but a few isolated robberies have taken place in Sai Kwan, the residential district. These cannot be directly attributed to the military, but the Canton press has been very reticent about them. The fear now is that there may be open conflict for the plums of the defeated elements may loot whatever they can before leaving. Added to this is the possibility that the Kwangtung troops may endeavour to expel the invaders with a long campaign as the result.

TRAINS AGAIN HELD UP.

On Saturday morning, the through express service on the Canton-Kowloon Railway was resumed only to be again suspended in the afternoon. This is due to the Nam Kong station being raided by a gang of robbers over 100 strong. The trains have not been put on again as yet. General Chen's forces are in Waichow and Shum Hung-yung, Commander of the Kwangsi troops has announced his intention of leading an expedition against them. The West River seems to have been reopened to traffic, more than half of the ships on the Hongkong-Canton-Wuchow run having been put into operation during the week-end.

RICE SHIPMENTS SUSPENDED.

That the civil community expect trouble very soon is evident from the fact that the rice merchants have telegraphed their Hongkong purchasing agents to suspend shipments and cease making purchases. The reason for this is that they fear the rice will fall into the hands of the military either in transit or before it can be disposed of in Canton.

DR. SUN INTERVIEWED.

Dr. Sun Yat-sen yesterday, says the *China Press* of January 17, denied the report that he had acceded to the demand of General Teen Chun-huan to refrain from going to Canton and resume his presidency of the Southern Government. He stated that whether or not he should go to Canton and resume his duties would depend upon the determination and ability of the Peking Government to reunify the nation.

Dr. Sun stated that he had limited his military operations within the province of Kwangtung, because he wished to enable the Northern Militarists to awaken to a spirit of self-determination and work for national unification peacefully without resorting to further warfare. Otherwise, being a revolutionist, he could not bury his own principles by remaining in Shanghai and allow the unsatisfactory state of affairs to continue.

ROUGH WEATHER.

VESSELS IN TROUBLE.

The s.s. "Storndorfske" is reported to have gone aground on January 16. She was refloated, however, when the high tide came in and was able to proceed to Manila without assistance. The "Empress of Russia" reported, picking up a faint S.O.S. signal but was unable to make out the distressed vessel's name or her locality. It is believed that the signal was sent out by the "Storndorfske."

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On her thirty-third birthday Mrs. Gladys Constance Buckmaster (Miss Gladys Cooper, the actress) asked for the dissolution of her marriage owing to the desertion and adultery of her husband, Capt. Herbert John Buckmaster.

The suit was not defended. Mr. Bayford, K.C., and Mr. Cotter, Preedy appeared for Mrs. Buckmaster. Mr. Buckmaster was represented by Mr. Noel Middleton, who said the only matter he was now concerned with was the question of access to the children.

Mrs. Buckmaster, who was dressed in black, said that she was now living at the Hotel Metropole. The marriage took place in December 1908 at St. George's Hanover-square, W. She and her husband lived at Clarence Gate, gardens, Marylebone, N.W., and other places. There were two children, a girl of 12 and a boy of 7. In 1920 her husband left her. She tried to get him back, and as he would not return she took proceedings for restitution of conjugal rights. The decree, made on November 30, 1921 had not been obeyed. Inquiries were made and she then received information upon which she took steps to obtain a divorce.

After these proceedings had been begun her husband, she said, wrote to her:

Dear Gladys.—As I object to being watched, I enclose you the evidence you are seeking.—Yours, Buck.

The letter enclosed a receipted hotel bill, with the result that a supplement to petition for divorce was filed. Mrs. Buckmaster identified her husband's handwriting in the register of the Beacon Hotel, Cromborough; the entry being, "Mr. and Mrs. J. Buckmaster, London."

Jennie McCarthy, formerly chamber-maid at the Beacon Hotel, Cromborough, said that Captain Buckmaster and a woman stayed there in August 1922. She served them both with tea in bed in the morning.

Mr. Bayford: Was the petitioner the woman?—No, she was a dark woman.

Mr. Bayford said there was another charge of adultery against Mr. Buckmaster in the original petition. It was unnecessary to go into it.

Mr. Middleton said that Mr. Buckmaster was extremely anxious to be allowed access to the children and he (Mr. Middleton) would like the matter to be referred to chambers, when it could be gone into.

Mr. Justice Horridge, in granting Mrs. Buckmaster a decree nisi with costs and the custody of the children, said that Mr. Buckmaster would have to apply as to access.

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EARLIER TELEGRAMS

(Reader's Service to the China Mail.)

"SUCCESSFUL" HELICOPTER.

DAYTON OHIO, January 20th.

A helicopter, containing two men, in-

vented by a Rumanian named Debotzen,

successfully rose three feet from the

ground.

DEBT FUNDING.

New York, January 20th.

The British Debt Funding Commission

has left for Home.

TRADE AGREEMENT.

The Hague, January 20th.

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(Under Contract with H.M. Government.)

S. S.	Tons	From Hongkong (about)	Destination
"SARDINIA"	6,580	24th Jan.	MARSEILLES, LONDON & A'warp
"BOUDAN"	6,700	26th Jan.	Spore, Penang, Col'bo & B'way
"NELORE"	6,633	7th Feb.	MARSEILLES, LONDON & A'warp
"DELTA"	8,000	7th Feb.	MARSEILLES, LONDON & A'warp
"KHIVA"	9,107	21st Feb.	MARSEILLES, LONDON & A'warp
"SICILIA"	6,700	23rd Feb.	Spore, Penang, Col'bo & B'way
"BANCA"	6,001	6th Mar.	Singapore, Col'bo & B'way
"MOREA"	11,110	7th Mar.	Spore, Penang, Col'bo & B'way
"BOUDAN"	6,700	10th Mar.	Spore, Penang, Col'bo & B'way
"KASHMIR"	8,000	21st Mar.	MARSEILLES, LONDON & A'warp
"DONOLA"	8,000	21st Mar.	do
"SICILIA"	6,700	13th Apr.	Spore, Penang, Col'bo & B'way
"NANKIN"	7,000	18th Apr.	do
"KARMA"	8,000	2nd May	do
"KASHMIR"	8,000	10th May	do
"NTANGA"	7,000	14th May	do
"NOVAHA"	6,500	14th June	do
"DELTA"	8,000	27th June	do
"MALWA"	10,011	11th July	do
"DEVANHA"	8,000	25th July	do

BRITISH INDIA-APCAR SAILINGS (South)

"GREGORY APCAR"	4,650	20th Jan.	Singapore, Penang and Calcutta
"TARADA"	7,000	11th Feb.	Singapore, Penang & Calcutta

EASTERN & AUSTRALIAN SAILINGS (South)

"ST. ALBANS"	4,500	31st Jan.	(Manila, Thursday) Island, Cebu, Singapore, Sydney & Melbourne
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Frequent connections from Australia with the following—
The Union S.S. Company's steamers to the United Kingdom via New Zealand, Vancouver, San Francisco etc.
The P. & O. Royal Mail steamers to London via Suez Canal.
The P. & O. Branch Service of steamers to London via the Cape.
The New Zealand Shipping Company's steamers for Southampton and London via Panama Canal.

SAILINGS TO SHANGHAI & JAPAN

"MOREA"	11,000	24th Jan.	Shanghai, Kobe & Y'ham.
"DELTA"	8,000	31st Feb.	Shanghai, Kobe & Y'ham.
"TORILA"	6,500	4th Feb.	Shanghai and Japan.
"EASTERN"	6,500	6th Feb.	Japan direct.

All dates are approximate and subject to alteration without notice.

WIRELESS TELEGRAPHY FITTED ON ALL STEAMERS.

Passengers for Japan must pay their own hotel expenses at Singapore while waiting for the on-travelling steamer.
1st Saloon Passengers may travel by B.I.S.N. Company's steamers between Singapore and Calcutta or Singapore and Madras in lieu of the section of their P. & O. tickets Singapore to Colombo.

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FROM BANGKOK AND SWATOW.
Jan. 24.—E. A. Dintag.

FROM BANGKOK.
Feb. 6.—E. A. Banks.

FROM DAILY.
Feb. 4.—J. C. J. L. Tjikembang.

FROM MANILA.
Jan. 28.—U.S.S.B. Dampert.
Feb. 12.—U.S.S.B. Dowoy.

FROM BOMBAY.
Jan. 26.—N.Y.K. Tamba Maru.
Feb. 30.—N.Y.K. Takaka Maru.

FROM JAVA.
Jan. 28.—J. C. J. L. Tjikembang.

FROM SINGAPORE.
Feb. 12.—U.S.S.B. Dowoy.

FROM CALCUTTA.
Feb. 2.—J. C. J. L. Torilla.

FROM SYDNEY AND MELBOURNE.
Feb. 12.—A. O. Eastern.
Feb. 15.—A. O. Taiyuan.

FROM PORTLAND.
Jan. 31.—Col. P. S. Dampert.
Feb. 6.—Col. P. S. Dampert.
Feb. 20.—Col. P. S. Dampert.

FROM NEW YORK.
Feb. 4.—B. F. Telmacabus.

FROM VANCOUVER.
Jan. 24.—N.Y.K. Kuga Maru.
Feb. 15.—B. F. Achilles.
Mar. 11.—B. F. Achilles.
Apr. 19.—B. F. Achilles.
May 17.—B. F. Achilles.
June 7.—B. F. Achilles.

FROM SEATTLE.
Jan. 24.—N.Y.K. Kuga Maru.
Feb. 15.—B. F. Achilles.
Mar. 11.—B. F. Achilles.
Apr. 19.—B. F. Achilles.
May 17.—B. F. Achilles.

FROM LOS ANGELES.
Feb. 3.—U.S.S.B. Apus.
Feb. 20.—U.S.S.B. West Ivan.

FROM SAN FRANCISCO.
Jan. 25.—U.S.S.B. West Ivan.
Feb. 3.—U.S.S.B. West Ivan.
Feb. 20.—U.S.S.B. West Ivan.

FROM EUROPEAN PORTS.
Jan. 27.—P. & O. Kalyan.
Jan. 30.—H. A. L. Hallyland.
Feb. 10.—P. & O. Kashmir.
Feb. 10.—P. & O. Kashmir.
Mar. 7.—P. & O. Kashmir.
Mar. 10.—P. & O. Kashmir.
Apr. 7.—P. & O. Kashmir.
Apr. 21.—P. & O. Kashmir.

FROM LONDON.
Jan. 23.—P. & O. Sardinia.
Jan. 27.—P. & O. Kalyan.
Jan. 27.—P. & O. Kalyan.
Feb. 3.—P. & O. Kalyan.
Feb. 10.—P. & O. Kashmir.
Feb. 10.—P. & O. Kashmir.
Mar. 7.—P. & O. Kashmir.
Mar. 10.—P. & O. Kashmir.
Apr. 7.—P. & O. Kashmir.
Apr. 21.—P. & O. Kashmir.

FROM HAMBURG.
Jan. 27.—H.S.L. Lunderdorf.

FROM ANTWERP.
Jan. 30.—H. A. L. Hallyland.

FROM COPENHAGEN.
Feb. 28.—E. A. Africa.
Mar. 12.—E. A. India.
Apr. 1.—E. A. China.

HONGKONG TIDES.

The tide-table given below has been compiled from the National Almanac Office in London from the results of the analysis of observations taken by means of an automatic tide-recording machine in the Water Police Basin at Tsim Sha Tsui during the years 1909-9.

The zero of the table corresponds with the zero of the sounding in the Admiralty Chart, which has been found to be 4 feet higher below mean sea-level.

To obtain the depth of water on the tide gauge at the Victoria Naval Yard add 2 feet 4 inches, and on the gauge at Lamont Dock, Aberdeen, add 10 feet 4 inches to the heights given in the table.

January 19 to 25 1923.

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SPIRITUALISM AND BLACKMAIL.

"GIFT" WHICH LED TO JAIL.

An amazing attempt by two sisters to "take" use of "spiritualism" in order to blackmail the widow of a murdered man was disclosed at Stafford Assizes.

Two sisters were in the dock—Clara Jones, thirty, a dressmaker, and Alice May Jones, twenty-eight, a velvet cutter—and, found guilty of what the judge described as "one of the most detestable crimes" they were each sentenced to eighteen months' hard labour.

Their victim was Mrs. Walter Hulce, whose husband, the village inn-keeper of Talke, was mysteriously murdered by an unknown hand.

Letters were written to Mrs. Hulce asking for money, the inducement being that the writers would not divulge certain secret things which had come to their knowledge. One of the letters, signed, "A Friend in Need," contained the following statement:

I am a person blessed with certain gifts of seeing far into the future of people's lives and also much of the past. You will be so kind as to make me a present of £10 or £15 which will enable me to make a fresh start in life.

FELL INTO TRAP.

The first letter sent was ignored by Mrs. Hulce, but when a second one came to hand she consulted the police.

A reply was dictated by them and placed at the spot indicated by the writers of the anonymous letters, and it was by this means that the two women were arrested.

Clara Jones said:—

My sister has a gift, and can see into the future. She has been in conversation with Walter Hulce, the murdered man. My sister knows who murdered him. We do not know we were doing any harm.

A DETESTABLE CRIME.

Alice Jones made an extraordinary statement from the dock. It was to the effect that she had been under the influence of Spiritualism, and that she had been visited by the spirit of the late Mr. Hulce, who told her that he had not to tell someone how he met his death, and it was done by someone in his own house. "That is true," she added, "and I cannot help saying it."

In summing up, the judge said that if it was true that the spirit of Mr. Hulce conveyed that statement to the accused, the late Mr. Hulce had a good deal to answer for. If the jury could believe that story they would believe anything.

In passing sentence the judge said that Mr. Hulce was murdered in circumstances which were calculated to throw suspicion on the innocent and the guilty alike. Prisoners had traded on the idea that suspicion might attach to Mrs. Hulce with the view of obtaining money from her. That was one of the most detestable crimes which any man or woman could commit.

FARES FOR PUBLIC VEHICLES.

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For the information of visitors, following list of some of the highest points on the Island and Mainland is published:—

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CRICKET.

SATURDAY'S MATCHES.

On Saturday four first league, two second league and two friendly games were played. In the first league, Club v Navy and I.R.C. v Kowloon were drawn as predicted in Friday's Cricket Notes. University just scraped home against the B.G.A. making the fifth consecutive win in the league and the O.R.C. surprised Craigengower, by securing their first win of the season. The second league games turned out as expected, the I.R.C. 2nd XI and R.E. winning with comparative ease. The Club had the better of a draw, but as the closure was not enforced till rather late and thanks to the tail's stubborn display, the Navy managed to play out time. For the Club, Claxton made 87, figuring in a fine third wicket stand with Owen Hughes. Hancock, undefeated at the end, hit up 30 in quick time, his score including five fours and a six. Phillips, for the Club performed the hat-trick.

Kowloon won the toss at Sook-umpoo and took first knock. Evans (44), Benson (43) and Hall (31) were the principal contributors to an innings of 189, with none of the Indian bowlers particularly dangerous. After a shaky opening, the home team hit up 135 for 5 wickets thanks to a patient 63 not out by S. H. Isemail. Chester (31) Olliver (24) and Davies (40) opened well for the R. G. A. at Pokfulam but the tail was again weak, the innings ending for 145. A. A. Rumjahn made 70 for the Varsity and the tail just managed to pass the Gansers' total after an exciting finish. In scoring their first win, O. R. C. made the surprise of the afternoon. An effective opening partnership and small scores by the rest carried the score to 130. Of the Craigengower batsmen, Bradbury made 40 but the others could not get going, the innings being finished off for 97. Lee, Ng Sze kwong and Ching were in good form with the ball, Ching effecting a beautiful catch in dismissing Omar.

The I. R. C. juniors found the Kowloon 2nd XI bowling easy and declared at 135 for 5 wickets. D. Rumjahn being top scorer with 59 not out. F. M. Arculli and H. D. Rumjahn caused a procession when Kowloon batted, getting them all out for 39. Arculli took 6 wickets for 7 and Rumjahn 3 for 23. A feature of the R.E. v Civil Service 2nd XI was the first appearance of Cockell, just out from home. He made top score for the sappers, 37 to be precise, and took 7 wickets for 17 runs, an excellent all-round performance. H.K.C.C. 2nd XI beat the Police in a 'friendly', a low-scoring match resulting in a Hong match. Ewo beat Waifoong comfortably. After a good opening the Bank's batsmen collapsed and were all out for 137. Ewo replied with 226 for 9, Hollands scoring 48 and Mr. D. G. M. Bernard a useful 34.

FIRST LEAGUE.

H.K.C.C. v. THE NAVY.

Result—A Draw.

H.K.C.C.
T. E. Pearce, b Wallace 23
A. A. Claxton, b Hardy, by Gregory 87
R. E. A. Webster, c and b Evans 15
H. Owen Hughes, b Wallace 48
R. Hancock, not out 30
R. H. Field, c Gregory, b Wallace 0
F. H. Kestling, not out 8
Extras 16
Total for 5 wickets—Innings declared closed 224

T. J. Davies, J. D. Humphreys, D. Reid and B. Phillips did not bat.

Bowling Analysis.

	O.	M.	R.	W.
Mid. Evans	8	0	41	1
Cap. Quimlan	14	4	54	0
Lieut. Wallace	12	2	48	3
Lieut. Gregory	7	0	49	1
Lieut. Hardy	1	0	15	0

THE NAVY.

	O.	M.	R.	W.
Rev. W. Purcell, c Davies, b Phillips	20			
Mid. Evans, b Farthing	8			
Lt. Com. Gilchrist, c Pearce, b Webster	18			
Lieut. Lindsell, st. Davies, b Farthing	17			
Eng. Com. Edwards, b.w. Phillips	12			
Com. Wood, l.b.w. Phillips	12			
Pay. Lieut. Wallace, b Reid	8			
Lieut. Com. Douglas Hamilton, not out	21			
Pay. Lieut. Gregory, b Wild	2			
Lieut. Hardy, not out	3			
Extras	9			

Total (for 8 wickets) 127

Bowling Analysis.

	O.	M.	R.	W.
F. H. Farthing	14	0	61	2
H. Owen Hughes	4	0	12	0
R. E. A. Webster	5	1	20	1
E. Phillips	3	0	7	3
D. Reid	4	0	13	1
R. H. Wild	3	0	5	1

I.R.C. v. K.C.C.

Result—A Draw.

K.C.C.

	O.	M.	R.	W.
Capt. E. G. Spinks, b Arculli	15			
B. D. Evans, c A. H. Rumjahn, b Madar	44			
S. Jex, c A. H. Rumjahn, b S. H. Isemail	14			
B. Petheram, run out	2			
H. H. Benson, c A. H. Rumjahn, b S. H. Isemail	48			
E. F. Spinks, b Madar	1			
G. A. V. Hall, c S. H. Isemail, b Arculli	34			
L. J. Blackburn, b S. H. Isemail	4			
R. E. Lindell, c S. D. Isemail, b Arculli	7			
S. E. Green, c Carroon, b Isemail	5			
D. Green, not out	2			
Extras	13			

Total 189

Bowling Analysis.

	O.	M.	R.	W.
A. el Arculli	13	1	62	3
Carroon	7	0	44	0
Madar	5	1	20	2
S. H. Isemail	10	1	50	4
Extras	5			

I.R.C.

	O.	M.	R.	W.
A. H. Rumjahn, c Jex, b Evans	28			
N. B. Kitchell, c and b E. F. Spinks	2			
S. D. Isemail, b Evans	0			
S. H. Isemail, not out	65			
A. H. Madar, b Evans	22			
L. S. Carroon, b Evans	0			
A. el Arculli, not out	1			
Extras	19			

Total (for 5 wickets) 135

Bowling Analysis.

	O.	M.	R.	W.
E. F. Spinks	14	3	17	1
Evans	16	3	52	4
E. G. Spinks	9	3	13	0
G. A. V. Hall	5	1	22	0
H. H. Benson	2	0	12	0
Extras	2			

UNIVERSITY v. R.G.A.

University won by 5 runs.

R.G.A.

	O.	M.	R.	W.
Lieut. Chester, st. Yeow, b Rumjahn	31			
Capt. Olliver, c Osman, b Rumjahn	24			
Capt. P. H. Davies, c Rumjahn, b Quick	40			
Major Halford, b Quick	7			
Capt. Bentley, c Boffey, b Balhetchet	3			
Major Matthews, b Balhetchet	0			
Lieut. Parkes, b Balhetchet	0			
Cor. Pomfret, not out	17			
Lee-Sgt. Holloway, b Balhetchet	4			
Sergt. Stevens, c Osman, b Yeow	0			
Gar. J. Davis, run out	5			
Extras	14			

Total 145

Bowling Analysis.

	O.	M.	R.	W.
H. N. Balhetchet	11.3	3	37	4
T. E. Yeow	5	0	17	1
A. A. Rumjahn	6	0	37	2
E. K. Quick	10	3	33	2
C. A. Peterson	2	0	7	0

UNIVERSITY.

	O.	M.	R.	W.
A. A. Rumjahn, c Stevens, b Holloway	70			
T. E. Yeow, b Davies	1			
Rev. E. K. Quick, b Davies	1			
F. A. Richmond, c Davies, b Holloway	17			
H. N. Balhetchet, l.b.w. Pomfret	9			
M. H. Roffey, b Holloway	27			
C. A. Peterson, b Holloway	4			
Ng Bao-poo, not out	3			
W. Glittens, b Davies	1			
M. E. Osman, c Matthews, b Holloway	8			
T. E. Yeow, b Davies	0			
Extras	6			

Total 180

Bowling Analysis.

	O.	M.	R.	W.
Capt. P. H. Davies	17.12	50		
Lee-Sgt. Holloway	14	2	63	5
Cor. Pomfret	6	0	29	1

O.R.C. v. ORAIGENGOWER.

O.R.C. won by 33 runs.

O.R.C.

	O.	M.	R.	W.
Ng Sze Kwong, b Major	32			
M. W. Lo, b Major	23			
G. Lee, c Besant, b Omar	15			
S. T. Wong, b Major	4			
W. Hung, b Major	4			
J. Choa, c Bradbury, b Omar	12			
H. C. Hung, b Besant	4			
H. Ching, b Omar	2			
Y. K. Shi, b Hall	9			
M. K. Lo, b Omar	0			
J. M. Tan, not out	0			
Extras	21			

Total 130

Bowling Analysis.

	O.	M.	R.	W.
U. Omar	18	5	44	4
Abbas	7	0	37	0
E. W. Major	12	5	17	4
Hall	1	1	0	1
Besant	3	0	11	1

ORAIGENGOWER.

	O.	M.	R.	W.
L. T. Arey Evans, b Lee	8			
F. E. Lawrence, c Ng, b Lee	0			
R. Baas, c Hung, b Lee	4			
B. W. Bradbury, c any b Ng Sze Kwong	40			
U. Omar, c and b Ching	9			
Lt. Besant, b Lee	10			
C. A. Grimes, c Wong, b Ng Sze Kwong	11			
R. S. Barry, b Ching	1			
M. H. Abbas, not out	7			
E. W. Major, c Shi, b Ching	1			
W. Hall, b Ng Sze Kwong	0			
Extras	6			

Total 97

Bowling Analysis.

	O.	M.	R.	W.
G. Lee	9	0	25	4
H. Ching	9	0	45	3
S. T. Wong	2	0	11	0
Ng Sze Kwong	5	0	12	3

SECOND LEAGUE.

KOWLOON 2ND XI v I.R.C. 2ND XI.

I.R.C. 2nd XI won by 96 runs.

I.R.C. 2ND XI.

	O.	M.	R.	W.
H. D. Rumjahn, c Fraser, b Haslett	46			
Jeth	0			
O. Rumjahn, b Brown	9			
I. Hassan, b Shenton	0			
R. Nazarin, c Jack, b Weaver	10			
D. Rumjahn, not out	69			
F. M. el Arculli, b Fraser	2			
A. Kitchell, b Haslett	1			
Y. A. Walup, not out	6			
Extras	3			

Total (for 6 wickets) 135

Bowling Analysis.

	O.	M.	R.	W.
Shenton	7	1	18	1
Brown	8	0	28	1
Weaver	8	1	19	1
Overy	5	0	28	0
Fraser	6	0	27	1
Haslett	4	0	37	2

K.C.C. 2ND XI.

	O.	M.	R.	W.
W. B. Haslett, b Arculli	1			
A. Leach, c D. Rumjahn, b H. D. Rumjahn	0			
Rumjahn	0			
W. Fraser, c Hassan, b H. D. Rumjahn	0			
A. O. Brown, c Minns, b Arculli	0			
E. J. Edwards, b Arculli	14			
W. L. Weaver, c Walup, b Arculli	1			
F. I. Overy, run out	4			
F. G. Herdridge, b H. D. Rumjahn	2			
W. J. Shenton, c Acker, b Arculli	0			
M. J. Jack, b Arculli	8			
W. J. Woolley, not out	0			
Extras	9			

Total 39

Bowling Analysis.

	O.	M.	R.	W.
F. M. el Arculli	6.4	2	7	6
H. D. Rumjahn	6	0	23	3

R.E. v CIVIL SERVICE 2ND XI.

R.E. won by 1 wicket and 54 runs.

CIVIL SERVICE C.C.

	O.	M.	R.	W.
Q. Sara, b Cockell	18			
E. Fincher, b Townsend	11			
F. Harper, c Hamblin, b Cockell	11			
E. Savage, b Cockell	0			
H. Sandford, b Cockell	8			
W. Cullip, not out	8			
C. J. Tacchi, c and b Cockell	0			
A. G. Gardiner, b Townsend	10			
W. Gil, b Cockell	2			
W. Watson, b Cockell	0			
A. Oswick, b Hammond	2			
Extras	2			

Total 63

Bowling Analysis.

	O.	M.	R.	W.
Hammond	7.3	3	7	1
Townsend	11	3	28	2
Pearson	4	1	8	0
Cockell	9	2	17	7
Royal Engineers	2	1	1	0
S. Sgt. Brown, c Sara, b Savage	14			
C. B. Cockell, b Savage	87			
C. B. Cockell, c Sandford, b Gardiner	1			
Major Gandy, b Gardiner	4			

Capt. Wabl, c Savage, b Gardiner.

	O.	M.	R.	W.
S. Sgt. Redpath, b Gardiner	0			
Lieut. Hammond, c Gil, b Fincher	18			
C. S. M. Smith, c Fincher, b Sara	2			
S. Sgt. Hamblin, not out	6			
S. Sgt. Best, c and b Fincher	21			
Sgt. Townsend, not out	1			
Extras	7			

Total for 9 wickets 117

Bowling Analysis.

	O.	M.	R.	W.
Fincher	12	2	38	2
Gardiner	10	1	39	4
Savage	5	0	24	2
Sara	3	0	10	1
Oswick	2	2	0	0

FRIENDLY MATCHES.

POLICE v. H.K.C.C. 2ND XI.

H.K.C.C. 2nd XI won by 52 runs.

POLICE.

	O.	M.	R.	W.
C. Alexander, b Young	11			

NOTICE TO SHIPPERS & PASSENGERS. PROJECTED DEPARTURES CHINA COAST, ETC.

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"CHILD SLAVERY."

HAPPIER CHILDREN IN HONGKONG.

(By Lt. Commander Haslewood, R.N. in the Daily Mail.)
The abolition of child slavery in Hongkong has been quickly followed by another reform of a very far reaching character, concerning child labour. As long ago as May, 1919, the Sanitary Board at Hongkong passed a resolution—which remained a dead letter—that (1) no child under the age of 14 should be employed in any factory or workshop for more than 10 hours in any one day; (2) no child under the age of 13 should be employed in any occupation likely to be injurious to life, limb, or health. That such a resolution should have been necessary is remarkable, but that the Hongkong Government should have completely disregarded it is astounding.

In April, 1920, at the instigation of a local English doctor, a test case was brought to light in the police courts, in which two little boys, whose ages were given as 11 and 12, were found carrying baskets of sand weighing 60 lbs. apiece, and as they staggered up the winding path of the Peak hill they were crying bitterly. It was a disgraceful scene, said the doctor, and the presiding magistrate expressed entire agreement. Still nothing was done, and this and other abuses of child labour involving both little girls and boys, were in daily evidence.

The matter was eventually brought to the notice of the late Government, in the House of Commons, and Mr. Amery, then Under Secretary for the Colonies, was forced to admit that there appeared to be no provisions in the Colony of Hongkong to protect child life. From Hongkong itself steady pressure was brought to bear on the Government by both English and Chinese, and a Commission of Inquiry was eventually appointed. The sweeping recommendations of the Commission were strongly supported by the Chinese themselves, and the realization that the "British nation" was "they always have been, essentially generous towards children, broke down the opposition.

The Government of Hongkong have now been able, with solid support behind them to pass legislation, the importance of which it is almost impossible to over-estimate. In future, no child is to be allowed to work at "dangerous trades," the nature of which is clearly defined. No child under 10 to be employed in any factory. No child under 12 to carry heavy weights. No child to be allowed to work in any industrial undertaking for more than nine hours in any one day, or more than five hours continuously. Every child to have one day's rest in every seven. No child to be employed at night. In addition to the above definite regulations, steps are to be also taken to increase the educational facilities and welfare of the children. It is only when it is clearly recognized that up till now there have been no

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The sub-manager of the International Banking Corporation writes:—
"With reference to the news appearing in the local press of Wednesday, 17th January, as to the merger of the Anaconda Copper Mining Co. with the Chile Copper Company, it may be of interest to you to know that we have now received a telegram from our New York office advising that this merger was financed by the National City Company jointly with the Guaranty Co. and amounted to U.S. \$150,000,000. This is the largest individual industrial public bond issue ever offered in the United States."

"KINGSLERE" SOLD.

CHINESE BUYER PAYS SIX LAKHS.

Built originally, although never occupied, as a residence by the late Hon. Mr. E. R. Bell, O.M.G., "Kingslere," the fine property on the Kennedy Road level to the left of the Peak tramline which is now used as a residential hotel, has been sold. When approached by a China Mail reporter this morning, Mr. E. J. Chapman of Messrs. Linford and Davis, the agents for the Bell Estate, said that the price paid was about six lakhs. He stated that the buyer was a Chinese gentleman whose name he could not give until the deal had been finalized.

It is also stated that "Kingslere" Terrace, a Kowloon property which accommodates several boarding houses and private flats has been sold to a Chinese buyer.

LADIES' GOLF.

"HEANLEY" CUPS COMPETITION.

The above competition will be held at Deep Water Bay on Friday February 9, 1923. The conditions of play are: Shanghai foursome medal play with 3/8 of the combined handicap allowed. Players are to choose their own partners and opponents.

Mr. O. T. Milburn died at Newcastle, aged 62. He was vice chairman of the Commonwealth and Dominion Line and a director of the Cunard Line and other companies.

regulations whatever that the magnitude of this new crop can be set in its proper perspective. The Government are indeed to be congratulated on the courageous line they have taken. It only remains for them to see that their legislation is translated into fact.

RUHR RICHES.

WHAT THE FRENCH ARE AFTER.

(By H. G. Cardozo in the Daily Mail.)

The Ruhr basin, which the French Government wishes to occupy as a guarantee that Germany shall at last make some real attempt to meet her reparations debt, is, curiously enough, a coalfield, the discovery and the working of which was originally due to British money and brains.

One thousand square miles in extent, the Ruhr basin has a present population of over 3,700,000, and its factories and coal mines turn out enough raw and finished material to supply 180 million tons of freight per year for its wonderful network of railways and canals.

When the British-Scottish and Irish engineers played a predominant part in the early development of the Ruhr—first came to the region Essen was a small provincial town of 50,000 inhabitants; its population now amounts to almost half a million.

The immense richness of the Ruhr coal deposits was discovered soon after 1871, and the Germans themselves attribute the main pride of this discovery to an Irishman named Mulvaney, who sank some of the most valuable shafts, which now, half a century afterwards, are producing a rich income for their new German owners.

It was only after a great financial crisis which swept over Europe in the 'twenties that the German magnates—Thyssen, Haniel, Krupp, and Kirdoff—secured their hold on the great majority of the mines and factories of this huge industrial region.

Coal and steel form of course, the two great riches of this much-discussed territory. It is estimated that the coal, which lies to a depth of 5,000 feet, could be hewed and brought up at the rate of 100 million tons per year for 764 years before the mines are exhausted.

If the pits were sunk deeper than 5,000 feet—and there are many mines which run much deeper—it is estimated that the same rate of production could be continued for another 674 years.

The figures of steel production available are not very recent owing to the fact that the German industrialists, for reasons best known to themselves, have, since the armistice, been careful to hide them in a maze of errors and falsifications. The last reliable figures are those for 1918 when 10 million tons of steel were turned out, or rather more than 68 per cent. of the entire German production. In addition, the foundries of the region produced 40 million tons of crude or half-worked iron.

The factories engaged in working up this steel and iron into engines, machinery, tools, rails, and plates employ just under 1,000,000 L.P.

MERCHANTS COMBINE

NEW ASSOCIATION INAUGURATED.

About six months ago the Chinese cargo boat owners issued demands for night-work compensation and as the merchants did not agree to the stipulations the lightermen declared a general stoppage. At the time, twenty-four Chinese merchant guilds combined to provide their own lighterage and counteract the cargo-boatsmen.

The combination formed, known as the Twenty-four Trades Merchants' Association, was so successful in its co-operation that the Association has remained and covers a much wider scope. It is essentially an association of masters of various trades for mutual benefit. The original name is still adhered to but the present membership embraces thirty-four trades.

On Saturday, the formal inaugural ceremony took place at the Yee Woo restaurant, West Point. A tea party, with addresses from officials of the association and visitors, was given in the afternoon, followed by a Chinese dinner at night.

Mr. Ho Kwong (President of the Association) presided and supporting him on the platform were Messrs. Li Ying-chi (Vice Chairman), Lo Wing-tai (Secretary), and To Sze-tien, Ng Tsang Ink, Chief and Vice-Treasurers. Mr. Ip Lan-chuen, Secretary of the Chinese General Chamber of Commerce, congratulated the Association on the progress it had made characterizing the organization as another break from the conservative policy of individual action. Recently, both Chinese merchants and labourers had been active in forming associations for mutual interest. Mr. Ip, on behalf of the Chinese Chamber of Commerce, welcomed co-operation from the Association.

Mr. Ho mentioned the entry of Chinese into the banking field and expressed the hope that the Association would start its own bank. Several other speakers also addressed the large gathering and a number of congratulatory messages were read, these including some sent from labour guilds.

A panel doctor who wrote on certificates "You and your appendix must part" and "Have it cut out or chuck me" has been censured by the London Insurance Committee.

Presiding at the annual general meeting of the British Cast Iron Research Association, Lord Weir said there were signs of a slight improvement in trade. They should not be afraid to put up establishment charges if by so doing they could bring down the total costs.

There are 1,000,000 men, 15,000 women, and 5,000 engineers engaged in the factories and foundries of the Ruhr.

WEATHER REPORT.

January 22d, 11h. 45m.—Pressure has decreased considerably over N.W. Japan, moderately from S.W. Japan to the Loochees, and slightly from Formosa to Tongking. It has increased considerably from Whidveerock to Yehwaia.

The anticyclone has broken up. Another has formed over S.E. Mongolia.

A depression has formed to the south of Guam.

Hongkong rainfall for the 24 hours ending at 10 a.m. to-day, 0.13 inch. Total since January 1st, 0.13 inch. Forecast for the 24 hours ending at noon on January 23, 1923.

1—Formosa. Chander. N.E. winds, moderate; fair.

2—South coast of China, between Formosa and Luzon. N.E. winds, moderate; fair.

3—Hankow to Gulp Rock. N.E. winds, moderate; fair.

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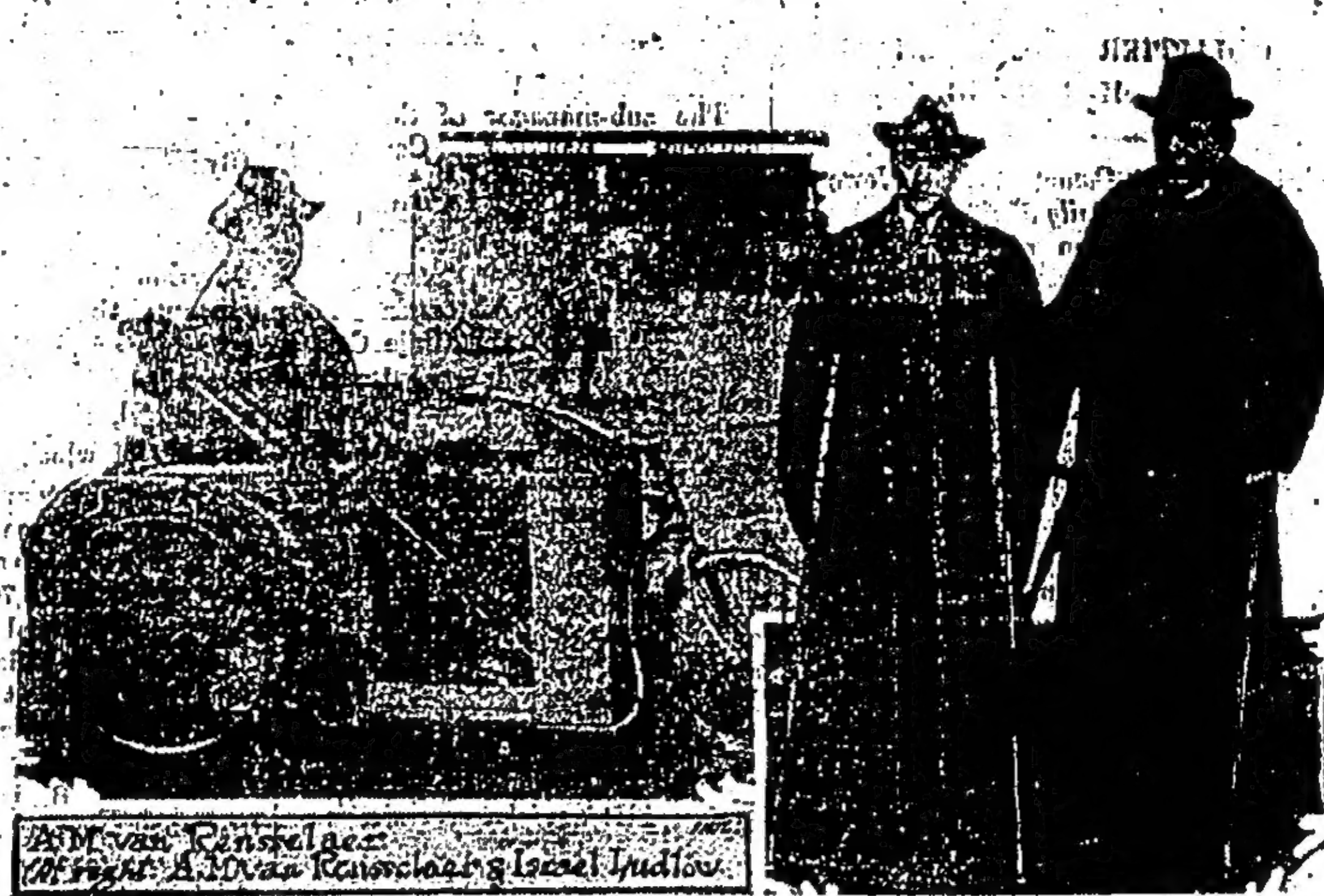
19—Hankow to Gulp Rock. N.E. winds, moderate; fair.

20—South coast of China, between Formosa and Luzon. N.E. winds, moderate; fair.



Mr. and Mrs. Giuseppe Bignoli.

Giuseppe Bignoli, known among circus folk as Bagonghi, "Champion Rider of Italy," has married Miss Irene Udell Thompson, of Washington, D. C. Bignoli is three feet tall and his bride ten inches taller. Mrs. Bignoli is seventeen. They are spending their honeymoon in Italy.



Arthur M. Van Rensselaer, millionaire member of one of New York's pioneer families, who was crippled on the Mexican border while serving as an officer in New York's "Dandy Seventh" in 1916, has demonstrated his motor propelled vehicle at the Institute for Crippled and Disabled. The machine is thirty-two inches wide and seventy inches long. It is operated entirely by hand control, with a speed of from three to fifteen miles an hour. With Israel Ludlow, another millionaire cripple, he intends to make the machines so cheaply that all cripples may own them.



Mr. and Mrs. Richard Gruner.

While mountain climbing in a dangerous section of the Alps, Richard Gruner came upon a beautiful young woman who had fallen over a precipice and broken her ankle. He carried her two miles to a physician—and now, with her as his bride, he is touring the United States. She was Fraulein Rose Marie Wannow.



Miss Laura E. DeWiler.

Landscape and estate designer now completing her studies at the University of Pennsylvania.



Mr. Bonar Law's Cabinet. Sir Robert Sanders is Minister of Agriculture. Mr. W. Joynton Hicks is a member of the Overseas Trade Department and Commander. G. Locke-Sampson is Charity Commissioner. Sir C. Schuster is Secretary to the Lord Chancellor. Major Trevor is Minister of Pensions, and Mr. J. O. O. Davidson is Secretary to the Premier. Mr. Trevellick Chamberlain is the new Postmaster-General and Sir James Baird is First Commissioner of Works.



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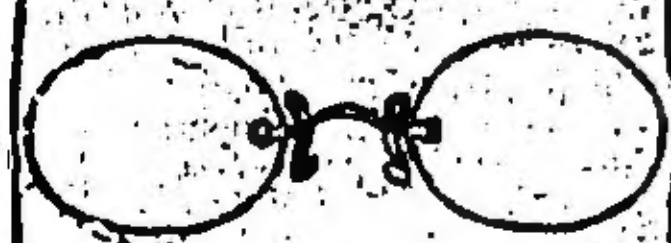
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